

WATER USERS ANNUAL MEETING

*Utah State Engineers office*

Minutes of the meeting of the Water Users on Utah Lake & Jordan River from the pumping plant on Utah Lake to and including the North Jordan Weir near Midvale, Utah.

The meeting was held in the Utah State Engineer's office, State Capitol, January 11, 1962, at 2:15 P.M.

Those present and the users represented were as follows:

Clarence E. Erickson, Jr.	Distribution Engr., State Engineer's Office
Donald C. Norseth	Distribution Engr., State Engineer's Office
Frank Reese	Chief Acct., State Engineer's Office
T. Vinton Smith	Asst. Business Mgr., State Engineer's Office
David I. Gardner	Comm., Utah Lake & Jordan River
Rell Swensen	Pres., North Jordan Irrigation Co.
Herman C. Nielsen	Pres., South Jordan Canal Co.
John H. Breeze	Pres., Utah & Salt Lake Canal Co.
F. E. Seal	Pres., Utah Lake Distributing Co.
Richard Carlquist	Pres., Draper Irrigation Co.
Alma Fairbourn	Pres., East Jordan Irrigation Co.
Charles W. Wilson	Supt., Salt Lake City Corp. Water Dept.
C. J. Barber	(U.S. Smelting) Galena Canal
E. D. Hammond	Kennecott Copper Corporation

Donald C. Norseth, Frank Reese, David I. Gardner, T. Vinton Smith, Hubert C. Lambert, R. Keith Higginson, R. R. Pexton, Clarence E. Erickson, Jr., and Wanda E. Hays were present, but had no voice in the voting.

The meeting was called to order by Clarence E. Erickson, Jr., Distribution Engineer from the State Engineer's office. It was determined by canvass of those present that there was a quorum in attendance. Mr. Erickson then read the notice of the meeting, and called for the election of a chairman. It was moved by Mr. Carlquist that Mr. Charles W. Wilson act as chairman and David I. Gardner act as secretary of the meeting, and that if there were no other nominations the two be elected by acclamation. Seconded by Mr. Nielsen. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman, ordered the Secretary, David I. Gardner, to read the minutes of the previous meeting held January 11, 1961. There was one correction offered and accepted in the 1961 Minutes, Page 3. It was pointed out that Mr. Swensen made the motion setting the Commissioner's salary instead of Mr. Nielsen.

The chairman then asked for the financial report, which was read and explained by Mr. Frank Reese. A copy of the financial report had previously been furnished by the secretary to each of the major users in the district. Among other things the report showed that the checkbook balance December 31, 1960, was \$5,359.02, and the checkbook balance December 31, 1961, was \$4,8<sup>9</sup>55.45. The minutes of last year showed that the approved budget was for \$10,332.00 for 1961, of which \$10,000.00 was to be assessed against the water users, and \$332.00 was to be taken from the existing bank balance to make up the \$10,332.00 as approved in the budget for 1961. Mr. Nielsen moved that the financial report be approved and ordered filed. Seconded by Mr. Barber, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Fairbourn asked the adoption of a resolution by the members expressing appreciation to the State Engineer for his cooperation in finance handling and in other matters of the district in 1961. Resolution adopted unanimously.

The Water Commissioner then read a report of the water supply outlook for 1962.

On January 1, 1962, the elevation of Utah Lake was - 8.25 feet with a storage content of 161,800 acre feet. On the same day a year ago the elevation of the lake was - 7.00 feet with the content in storage of 244,500 acre feet. The inflow for December 1961 was only 33,000 acre feet, which is 65% of the long time average, and this despite the fact that 375 c.f.s. was contributed from Provo River after December 7th. At the present time it appears that the inflow January through April to Utah Lake will not be much above 80% of average, and if this would be the case, then we would start our 1962 irrigation season, May 1st, with 321,000 acre feet as compared with 312,000 acre feet in 1961. This

prediction: is very early in the season, and the precipitation picture could continue above normal, but it is also a possibility that it could turn on the downhill side. Salt Lake City is, at the present time, about 90% normal.

Mr. Norseth of the State Engineer's office has assured me that the power water from the natural flow of Provo River now stored in Deer Creek, and the 1,500 acre feet of Class A rights stored under temporary application last year in Deer Creek, will be released to Utah Lake prior to April 1st, 1962.

The chairman declared that the next order of business would be the selection of a Commissioner and Deputy Water Commissioner for recommendation to the State Engineer for appointment.

At this point the secretary read the letter of resignation from Mr. Fred C. Wanlass, Deputy Water Commissioner, as follows:

This letter is to inform you that I do not wish to serve as Deputy Water Commissioner after the expiration of my current appointment, April 1, 1962.

I wish, at this time to thank you for your help and consideration during my illness.

I have enjoyed your friendship during these many years, and hope our friendship will continue.

Wishing you success in your endeavours, I remain, your friend, with sincere thanks.

(Signed) Fred C. Wanlass

Mr. Gardner pointed out that Mr. Wanlass had served the district faithfully, honestly and admirably well for 37 years, and that he will be extremely hard to replace.

Mr. Fairbourn moved that David I. Gardner be recommended to the State Engineer for appointment to the position of Water Commissioner of Utah Lake and Jordan River for the period from January 1, 1962, through December 31, 1962, or until a successor is appointed and qualified. Seconded by Mr. Barber and carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Swensen and seconded by Mr. Nielsen that the salary



of David I. Gardner be set at \$4,800.00 per year payable in 12 equal monthly installments for such portion of his time as is necessary to properly distribute the waters of the system and file a complete report of his work with the State Engineer, and in addition to the above salary the association shall pay the telephone bill of the Commissioner, he shall receive 7¢ per mile automobile expense while on official duty, and \$20.00 per month shall be paid to the Commissioner for office rent. Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Carlquist and seconded by Mr. Rell Swensen that the salary of Mr. Wanlass be continued to April 1st, 1962, and that at the end of that period he should be placed on a retainer fee of \$300.00 per month for two months to assist in breaking in his successor, and in addition to the above salary he shall receive 7¢ per mile automobile expense while on official duty. Said automobile expense to be approved by the Lake Commissioner. *Carried Unanimously*

It was moved by Mr. Fairbourn and seconded by Mr. Hammond that Jack Rindlisbach be appointed as Deputy Water Commissioner at a salary of \$300.00 from April 1st to December 31st, or until his successor is appointed and qualified, and should Mr. Rindlisbach not be available April 1st that Mr. Gardner and the State Engineer be authorized to select some other competent person satisfactory to them to fill the position, and in addition to the above salary he shall receive 7¢ per mile automobile expense while on official duty. Said automobile expense shall be approved by the Lake Commissioner. Carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Fairbourn that the same committee from the Water Users be elected to serve as representatives for the Water Users of the District in transacting any business with the State Engineer on behalf of the District for the ensuing year. Mr. Charles W. Wilson, Mr. Richard Carlquist and Mr. Herman C. Nielsen were elected to serve on this committee with Charles W. Wilson as

chairman and David I. Gardner as secretary. Seconded by Mr. Swensen, and carried unanimously.

Mr. Carlquist <sup>moved</sup> and Mr. Seal seconded a motion that the budget to be collected for 1962 be set at \$11,281.00, to be distributed to the various accounts as follows:

WATER COMMISSIONER OF UTAH LAKE

Salary	\$4,800.00 ✓
Travel	600.00 ✓
Telephone	120.00 ✓
Social Security Matching	150.00 ✓
State Retirement	192.00 ✓

DEPUTY WATER COMMISSIONER OF UTAH LAKE

Salary	\$4,200.00 ✓
Travel	150.00 ✓
Social Security Matching	115.00 ✓
State Retirement	144.00 ✓

NEW EQUIPMENT	100.00 ✓
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BONDS AND INSURANCE PREMIUMS	50.00 ✓
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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT	200.00 ✓
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OFFICE SUPPLIES	100.00 ✓
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CONTINGENCY EXPENSE AVAILABLE FOR DEFICIENCY FUNDS	120.00 ✓
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OFFICE RENT	240.00 ✓
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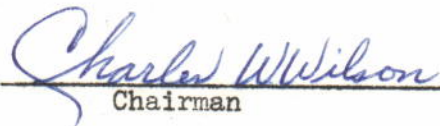
TOTAL BUDGET	\$11,281.00
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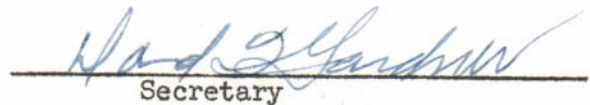
~~Mr. Carlquist moved~~ <sup>and</sup> that the State Engineer be authorized to assess the water users in the proportion to the average use of water over the past 5-year period sufficient to produce \$11,281.00, that the minimum assessment to any water user be \$1.00, and that he be authorized to use any surplus or bank balance remaining to the credit of the association on December 31, 1961, to meet expenses until such time as the 1962 assessment is collected, and that the State Engineer be authorized to charge a 10% penalty on all accounts that are over 60 days delinquent. ~~Seconded by Mr. Seal.~~ Carried unanimously.

The secretary was instructed to send a copy of the minutes and a copy of the financial statement to each of the major water users prior to next season's election.

Mr. Barber made a motion, and seconded by Mr. Seal, that the chairman and secretary write a letter to Mr. Fred C. Wanlass expressing appreciation of the water users of Utah Lake and Jordan River for his faithful service to the water users of Salt Lake and Utah Counties for the past 37 years. The motion was unanimously adopted.

There being no further business to come before the meeting it was moved by Mr. Seal that the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Barber. Carried.

  
Chairman

  
Secretary